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*Telecommunications Management Services*

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of Secretary  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S. W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

July 1<sup>st</sup>. 2017

RE: Submission of information Pursuant to FCC 54.313 Rules and Request  
for Confidential Treatment – ETC Annual Reports and Certifications WC  
Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with the annual reporting requirements of 47 C.F.R. §§54.313 and 54.422, **BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY** or “Blossom” (Study Area Code **442038**), is submitting a completed FCC Form 481 to the Commission via its Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58. Blossom by its authorized representative, hereby requests confidential treatment of one attachments to its FCC Form 481: the RUS Annual Telecommunications Operating Report identified on Line 3005, which was redacted in the ECFS submission.

The request for confidential treatment of the financial annual report is being made pursuant to the FCC's March 22, 2016 Protective Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58. The financial reports contain competitively sensitive data that is not otherwise available from publically available sources.

The request for confidential treatment is being made pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Blossom keeps this information strictly confidential and it is subject to protection under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and the Commission's implementing rules. Release of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

Blossom is also transmitting the following information to the Commission in compliance with C.F.R. §§54.313 and 54.422:

- Submission to the Office of the Secretary, this cover letter and the Form 481 filing which includes the confidential information that is being requested to be withheld from public inspection. Confidential information has been designated in accordance with Confidentiality guidelines and the Protective Order.

The confidential information has also been submitted to the Universal Service Administrative Company through its E-File system as an attachment to the FCC Form 481.

Blossom requests that the information contained in its annual financial report be withheld from public inspection because it contains competitively sensitive commercial and financial information that the Company keeps confidential. Public availability of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

Blossom offers the following information pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and Exemption 4 of FOIA in support of this request:

*(1) Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought:*

Attachment to Line 3005 of FCC Form 481 – RUS Operating Report. Specifically, confidential treatment is sought for all information in the report.

*(2) Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission:*

The information was submitted in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58 as an attachment to FCC Form 481- the Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form.

*(3) Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged:*

The RUS Operating Report for Telecommunication Borrowers contains financial information and subscriber counts for a privately held company, which is not made publicly available.

*(4) Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition:*

Broadband is subject to increasing competition in the areas served by rural, rate-of-return incumbent local exchange carriers (RLECs). Virtually all RLECs face competition from one or more Internet service providers.

*(5) Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm:*

Disclosure of the information contained in the operating report would provide competitors with detailed information regarding the Company's financial position. This would provide competitors access to confidential information they could employ to develop their own plans in a particular service area. This could cause competitive harm to the Company.

*(6) Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure:*

The Company has continually treated financial information as confidential and carefully controls the information to protect it from competitors.

*(7) Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties:*

The redacted information in the RUS Operating Report are not available to the public, and third party access is limited as described in (6) above.

*(8) Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure:*

The Company requests that the extracted information be withheld from public inspection indefinitely. The information and financial details would provide valuable information to competitors for several years beyond that period.

*(9) Any other information that the party seeking confidential information treatment believes may be useful in assessing whether its request for confidentiality should be granted:*

Exemption 4 of FOIA shields from public disclosure commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential. Based on the responses provided above, the information in question satisfies this test.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*Tim Morrissey*

President,

FWA, Inc.

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**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting  
Data Collection Form**FCC Form 481  
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	Form Type	54.313 and 54.422

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**(300) Unfulfilled Service Request  
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&lt;300&gt; Unfulfilled service request (voice)

0

&lt;310&gt; Detail on attempts (voice)

Name of Attached Document

&lt;320&gt; Unfulfilled service request (broadband)

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&lt;330&gt; Detail on attempts (broadband)

Name of Attached Document



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<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. Offered only fixed voice	
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice	0 . 0
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice	
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. Offered only fixed broadband	
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband	0 . 0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband	

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<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules	Yes
442038TX510 .pdf		
<510>	Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	
<515>	Certify compliance with applicable minimum service standards	

<b>(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations</b>		FCC Form 481
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<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	442038TX610 .pdf



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-- See attached worksheet --

**(800) Operating Companies  
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.
<811>	Holding Company	Blossom Telephone Co., Inc.
<812>	Operating Company	BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

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**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting  
Data Collection Form**

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&lt;900&gt; Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N) No

&lt;910&gt; Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

&lt;920&gt; Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable

**(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability  
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<1000> Voice services rate comparability certification Yes

<1010> Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance 442038TX1010.pdf

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Name of Attached Document

<1020> Broadband comparability certification Yes - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau

<1030> Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance 442038TX1030.pdf

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Name of Attached Document



**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting  
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&lt;1100&gt; Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)

Yes

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

**(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers**  
**Lifeline**  
**Data Collection Form**

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442038TX1210.pdf

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP [http://www.blossomtel.net/public\\_notice.html](http://www.blossomtel.net/public_notice.html)

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

- |        |   |                                     |
|--------|---|-------------------------------------|
| <1221> | Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <1222> | Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <1223> | Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**(2005) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation**

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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

**Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting**

- <2011> 3rd Year Certification 47 CFR §54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 2017 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support.
- <2022> Recipient certifies, representing year three after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2023> The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2024A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2024B> Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2025A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2025B> Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 2 for year three) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73, paragraph 35 (May 22, 2013).
- <2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)

Name of Attached Document Listing  
Required Information

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**(2005) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation**

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**Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}**

&lt;2016&gt; Certification support used to build broadband

**Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}**

&lt;2017A&gt; Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

&lt;2017C&gt; Total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2016.

&lt;2018&gt; Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(A)

Name of Attached Document Listing  
Required Information

&lt;2019&gt; Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(C)

**(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation**  
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Select from the drop down menu or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3009)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)		
		Yes - Attach Certification	
(3010A)	Certification of Public Interest Obligations {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}		
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	442038TX1030b.pdf
(3012A)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	No - No New Community Anchors	
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:			
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
(3016)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	442038TX3017.pdf
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	(Yes/No)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(3021)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(3025)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

**(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)**

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**Financial Data Summary**

(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

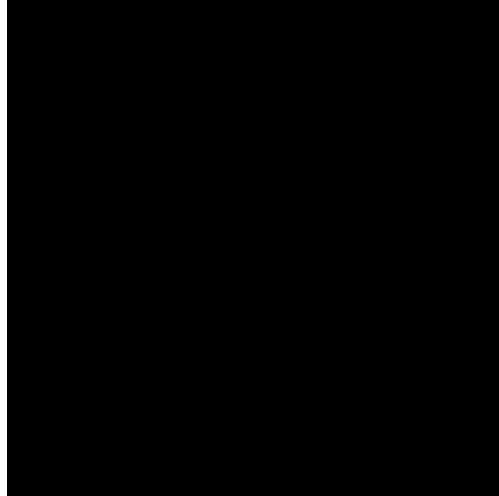
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends

**Redacted - For Public Inspection**

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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission’s public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

**4001.** Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

**4003a.** RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

<b>4003b.</b> Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
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Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)

<b>4004a.</b> Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
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<b>4004b.</b> Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
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**Certification - Reporting Carrier  
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**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:**

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	



**Certification - Agent / Carrier  
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**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:**

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>FWA, INC.</u> is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent:	<u>FWA, INC.</u>
Name of Reporting Carrier:	<u>BLOSSOM TEL CO</u>
Signature of Authorized Officer:	<u>CERTIFIED ONLINE</u> Date: <u>06/26/2017</u>
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	<u>Joyce Dorries</u>
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	<u>Secretary</u>
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	<u>9039825200 ext.</u>
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	<u>442038</u> Filing Due Date for this form: <u>07/03/2017</u>
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:**

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	<u>BLOSSOM TEL CO</u>
Name of Authorized Agent Firm:	<u>FWA, INC.</u>
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>CERTIFIED ONLINE</u> Date: <u>06/26/2017</u>
Name of Authorized Agent Employee:	<u>TOM KARALIS</u>
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent	<u>CONSULTANT</u>
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>9182981618 ext.</u>
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	<u>442038</u> Filing Due Date for this form: <u>07/03/2017</u>
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

## Attachments

<b>(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data</b> <b>Data Collection Form</b>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<b>(710) Broadband Price Offerings</b> <b>Data Collection Form</b>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819

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<015>	Study Area Name	BLOSSOM TEL CO
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<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	KELLY DORRIES
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<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 9039825200 ext.

<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	KELLY@BLOSSOMTEL.NET
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					Total Rates	Broadband Services	Broadband Services	Usage Allowance	Usage Allowance
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TX	BLOSSOM	39.95	0.0	39.95	1.0	0.26	999999.0	Other, NEVER REACHED
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TX	BLOSSOM	49.95	0.0	49.95	5.0	1.0	999999.0	Other, NEVER REACHED
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<b>(800) Operating Companies</b>	FCC Form 481
<b>Data Collection Form</b>	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

**QUALITY OF SERVICE AND CUSTOMER PROTECTION PROCESS**

**(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX510.PDF)**

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY**  
**QUALITY OF SERVICE & CUSTOMER PROTECTION PROCESSES**

**1. Available Customer Service Representatives to Answer Phones**

All calls received by Blossom Telephone Company during business hours are answered by the third ring. When the assigned customer representatives are unable to answer calls by the third ring, additional representatives are available to help answer phones.

**2. Provide After Hours Emergency Customer Service**

Calls are answered within 60 seconds. Call logs are reviewed daily by personnel. Customer service representatives have been given a list of questions by Blossom Telephone Company to ask to assist them in resolving any issues. Unresolved issues are reviewed the following work day. Issues requiring immediate attention are sent to the Blossom Telephone Company service technician on call, who works to resolve the matter as quickly as possible. If that technician is unable to resolve the problem, additional technicians are called. After-hours customer service is also available.

**3. Provide a 24/7 Hour Internet Help Desk Service**

All calls are answered within 60 seconds. Call logs are reviewed daily by personnel with Managers available to review and address any issues.

**4. Give Customers Cut-off Warnings & Provide Bill Arrangement Opportunities**

Customers are given two months of missed payments before being cut off. Notification of the payment due date and the cut-off date are prominently displayed on bills as well as of the opportunity to make payment arrangements to avoid being cut-off.

Customers in danger of losing service will receive a call from a customer service representative to remind them of the late payment. If a customer complains that notice was not given, they are directed to speak with the Office Manager who will work to resolve the matter and prevent it from occurring again. Account balance reports are printed monthly using the company's billing system.

#### **5. Ensure That All New Service Installation Orders Are Fulfilled Promptly**

All customers are contacted within 48 hours regarding scheduling the new service installation. If outside plant is already in place, fill the order at the customers' earliest convenience; if outside plant is in not in place, fill the order as soon as the weather permits.

#### **6. Minimize Customer Downtime for Services & Make Requested Changes Promptly**

Contact customers regarding all service requests the same day, with a goal of resolving all issues within 48 hours. Any unresolved issues will be resolved contingent on the technician/customer coordination of access to the premises.

#### **7. Proactively Monitoring in Case of Major Service Outages**

Service technicians will be made aware of outages affecting customers within an hour. It is the goal of Blossom Telephone Company to resolve major outages in four hours or less. If an outage has not been resolved within four hours, technicians will begin utilizing all resources, both from within and from without. Technicians establish and accomplish yearly training goals to be better equipped for managing all services.



## **CUSTOMER PRIVACY**

### **Company Confidential Information Policy**

Blossom Telephone Company has a company policy in place that holds employees accountable for a breach of confidentiality concerning customer data and company information.

The policy states: *"You are reminded that revealing any type of confidential information to unauthorized persons or tampering with or altering company records and/or property is a violation of trust that can result in disciplinary action up to and including discharge."*

### **Company CPNI Policy**

Blossom Telephone Company has a Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) policy in place that ensures employee compliance with the FCC's CPNI guidelines. Outlined within the policy is a detailed description of CPNI as well as both acceptable and unacceptable CPNI practices. Employees are required to sign waivers stating they understand and agree to comply with the policy and acknowledge that "failure to protect this information result in disciplinary action up to and including discharge for the responsible employee."

As a part of this policy, Blossom Telephone Company has designated a Compliance Officer responsible for training employees, monitoring CPNI related activities, and reporting breaches.

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

**EMERGENCY SITUATION FUNCTIONALITY – AVAILABILITY OF BACK UP POWER**

**(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX610.PDF)**

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY**  
**EMERGENCY SITUATION FUNCTIONALITY**  
**AVAILABILITY OF BACK-UP POWER**

Blossom Telephone Company has one central office within its service area. This location is equipped with a back-up generator capable of providing power to the equipment within that office in the event of an external power source outage. After each power outage, the generator is inspected and is also professionally serviced bi-annually to ensure functionality.

In addition, Blossom Telephone Company has installed back-up batteries on the customer premise equipment. Multiple back-up batteries have been installed at home of those with special needs. Spare batteries are kept at Blossom Telephone Company's main office for replacement of batteries at customer homes in the event of a prolonged power outage.

**TRAFFIC ROUTING**

Voice traffic between the central office switch and remote switches is carried across fiber allowing continued service if one route is interrupted. Voice traffic between the central office switch and the upstream tandem is also provisioned across fiber.

**MANAGING TRAFFIC SPIKES**

Blossom Telephone Company's careful capacity planning has put multiple constraints and triggers in place on its Central Office equipment, outside plant equipment, and network backbone that will provide the company with the capability of handling traffic spikes during emergency situations.

- Usage rates are analyzed monthly by Blossom Telephone Company using reports automatically generated by the switch to ensure that usage does not exceed 90% of total line capacity.
- Blossom Telephone Company will monitor traffic internally on a monthly basis to ensure optimal efficiency.

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

**VOICE SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY**

**(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX1010.PDF)**

## Voice Services Rate Comparability

### Blossom Telephone Company

In compliance with the 54.313 Rules, Blossom Telephone Company must certify that its current rate for fixed voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the national average urban rate for voice service.

According to the 2017 Urban Rate Survey<sup>1</sup> conducted by the FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau, the 2016 rate floor for voice services is \$22.49 and the reasonable comparability benchmark for voice services is \$49.51.

The rates shown on the Voice Pricing Form (0700) are below \$49.51. Consequently, Blossom Telephone Company meets the above mentioned requirement.

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<sup>1</sup> WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF 2017 URBAN RATE SURVEY FOR FIXED VOICE AND BROADBAND SERVICES, POSTING OF SURVEY DATA AND EXPLANATORY NOTES, AND REQUIRED MINIMUM USAGE ALLOWANCE FOR ETCs SUBJECT TO BROADBAND PUBLIC INTEREST OBLIGATIONS. WC Docket #10-90, DA 17-167 Public Notice - Released February 14th, 2017.

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

**BROADBAND RATE COMPARABILITY**

**(USAC DOCUMENT – 442038TX1030)**

## BROADBAND RATE COMPARABILITY

### BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY – TEXAS

#### BROADBAND BENCHMARK

According to the 2017 Broadband Reasonable Comparability Benchmark conducted by the FCC Wireline Competition Bureau (*and using the Reasonable Comparability Benchmark Calculator supplied by the FCC*), the reasonable comparability benchmark for Broadband rates are as follows<sup>1</sup>:

<b>Download Speed</b>	<b>Upload Speed</b>	<b>Usage Allowance</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>
6 Mbps	1 Mbps	Unlimited	\$71.27
10Mbps	1Mbps	Unlimited	\$77.98
15 Mbps	3 Mbps	Unlimited	\$83.82
25 Mbps	5 Mbps	Unlimited	\$90.77

#### RATE REQUIREMENT

Per 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(12), Blossom Telephone Company pricing can be no more than the applicable benchmark as published annually by the Wireline Competition Bureau. The rates shown on Blossom Telephone Company Broadband Price Offerings Form (0710) are all below the FCC's 2016 Broadband Pricing Benchmarks. Consequently, Blossom Telephone Company meets the above mentioned requirement.

The Survey also noted that the required minimum usage allowance is 150GBs for rate-of-return carriers, such as Blossom Telephone Company. Blossom Telephone Company does not currently implement a usage allowance maximum. All broadband customers have unlimited usage allowance.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/urban-rate-survey-data>



**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

**LIFELINE PLAN**

**(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX1210.PDF)**

## Public Notice

Blossom Telephone Company is committed to bringing its customers quality telecommunications services at affordable rates throughout its service territory.

### Prices & Rates

<b>Single Party Residence Access Line</b>	<b>\$14.00</b>
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<b>Single Party Business Access Line</b>	<b>\$15.50</b>
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*(Rates do not include taxes, surcharges, or other fees that may be applicable, such as a subscriber line charge.)*

Blossom Telephone Company provides telephony service which includes voice grade access to the public switched network, unlimited local calling within the customer's local calling area at no charge, access to emergency services, and toll blocking at no charge for qualifying low-income customers. Each local exchange access line comes with a free primary directory listing and each subscriber annually receives a telephone directory.

To make sure that our customers continuously receive quality service, any service problems can be reported to Blossom Telephone Company twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Basic services are offered at the rates, terms and conditions specified in Blossom Telephone Company's tariff on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. If you have questions regarding the Company's services or rates, please call 903-982-5200.

### DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR LOW INCOME CUSTOMERS

Blossom Telephone Company offers reduced rates to eligible low-income residential consumers under a government assistance program called Lifeline. Lifeline provides monthly discounts to an eligible customer's voice telephony service. Customers who are eligible for Lifeline are also eligible for toll blocking at no charge.

To be eligible for Lifeline a customer's annual household income must be at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines, or a customer must receive benefits from or have a child in the household who receives benefits from at least one of the following programs: Medicaid; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance(SNAP) (formerly Food Stamps); Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA); Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP); Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; National School Lunch Program's free lunch program; or health benefits coverage under the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Lifeline service is limited to one discount per household. A household is everyone who lives in the home (including children and people who are not related to the customer) and shares income and household expenses (bills, food, etc.).

A customer with Lifeline service may not transfer the Lifeline benefit to any other person. Blossom's Lifeline service includes unlimited calling within the local service area as defined in Blossom Tariffs. Blossom's Lifeline customers have access to toll blocking service at no charge. If the Blossom Lifeline customer does not prescribe to toll blocking, toll charges will be assessed at rates assessed by the presubscribed long distance carrier.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Company's business office at (903)982-5200 or by contacting the Low-Income Discount Administrator (LIDA) at 1-866-454-8387 (1-866-4-LITE-UP).

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

**MILESTONE CERTIFICATION**

**(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX3010.PDF)**

**Line 3010(b) - Milestone Certification**

Blossom Telephone Company certifies that, upon a reasonable request, it will provide Broadband services at actual speeds of 10 Mbps downstream / 1Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including VoIP and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to urban areas and that requests for such services are met within reasonable amount of time.

**BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**  
**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX3017.PDF)**

USDA-RUS		This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq. and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential information, will be treated as confidential.	
OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS		BORROWER NAME	
		Blossom Telephone Company, Inc.  (Prepared with Audited Data)	
INSTRUCTIONS-Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period. For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.		PERIOD ENDING December, 2016	BORROWER DESIGNATION TX0661
CERTIFICATION			
We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief.			
ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 CFR PART 1788, CHAPTER XVII, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR ALL POLICIES.			
DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII (Check one of the following)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects			
<input type="checkbox"/> There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligations under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report			
Anthony Dorries		3/31/2017	
		DATE	

PART A. BALANCE SHEET					
ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
1. Cash and Equivalents			25. Accounts Payable		
2. Cash-RUS Construc ion Fund			26. Notes Payable		
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt		
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.		
4. Non-Affiliates:			31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			32. Income Taxes Accrued		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. O her Taxes Accrued		
c. Notes Receivable			34. O her Current Liabili ies		
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)		
6. Material-Regulated			LONG-TERM DEBT		
7. Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes		
8. Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes		
9. Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes		
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			39. Funded Debt-Other		
NONCURRENT ASSETS			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan		
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt		
a. Rural Development			42. Reacquired Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			43. Obliga ions Under Capital Lease		
12. Other Investments			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		
a. Rural Development			45. O her Long-Term Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)		
13. Nonregulated Investments			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS		
14. Other Noncurrent Assets			47. O her Long-Term Liabilities		
15. Deferred Charges			48. O her Deferred Credits		
16. Jurisdictional Differences			49. O her Jurisdictional Differences		
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)		
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY		
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service			51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed		
19. Property Held for Future Use			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital		
20. Plant Under Construction			53. Treasury Stock		
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates		
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation			55. O her Capital		
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			56. Patronage Capital Credits		
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins		
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)		
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)		

35.11% % of Total Assets

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# **OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS**

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INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2

## **PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS**

ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
1. Local Network Services Revenues		
2. Network Access Services Revenues		
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		
6. Uncollectible Revenues		
<b>7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)</b>		
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense		
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10. Depreciation Expense		
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense		
13. Corporate Operations Expense		
<b>14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)</b>		
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes		
18. Federal Income Taxes		
19. Other Taxes		
<b>20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)</b>		
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22. Interest on Funded Debt		
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense		
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
<b>26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)</b>		
27. Nonoperating Net Income		
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income		
<b>31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)</b>		
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
<b>39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]</b>		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
<b>43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)</b>		
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]		
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]		
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]		
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]		

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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION							
	1. RATES		2. SUBSCRIBERS (ACCESS LINES)			3. ROUTE MILES	
EXCHANGE	B-1	R-1	BUSINESS	RESIDENTIAL	TOTAL	TOTAL (including fiber)	FIBER
	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(c)	(a)	(b)
Blossom							
MobileWireless							
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area							
Total							
No. Exchanges							



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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION								
4. BROADBAND SERVICE								
Details on Least Expensive Broadband Service								
EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available (a)	No Of Broadband Subscribers (b)	Number Of Subscribers (c)	Adver ised Download Rate (Kbps) (d)	Adver ised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e)	Price Per Month (f)	Standalone/Pckg (f)	Type Of Technology (g)
Blossom								
Total								

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INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2					
PART D. SYSTEM DATA					
1 No. Plant Employees	2 No. Other Employees	3 Square Miles Served	4 Access Lines per Square Mile	5 Subscribers per Route Mile	
PART E. TOLL DATA					
1. Study Area ID Code(s)		2. Types of Toll Settlements (Check one)			
a. 442038		Interstate:		<input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis
b.		Intrastate:		<input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis
c.					
d.					
e.					
f.					
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i.					
j.					
PART F. FUNDS INVESTED IN PLANT DURING YEAR					
1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds Expended					
2. Other Long-Term Loan Funds Expended					
3. Funds Expended Under RUS Interim Approval					
4. Other Short-Term Loan Funds Expended					
5. General Funds Expended (Other than Interim)					
6. Salvaged Materials					
7. Contribution in Aid to Construction					
8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Plant (1 thru 7)					
PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES					
INVESTMENTS	CURRENT YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE DATA		
	Investment	Income/Loss	Cumulative	Cumulative	Current
	This Year	This Year	Investment	Income/Loss	
(a)	(b)	(c)	To Date	To Date	Balance
1. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development					
2. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development					

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#### PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES

Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one)



YES

NO

EQUIPMENT CATEGORY	DEPRECIATION RATE
1. Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles	
2. Land and support assets - Aircraft	
3. Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles	
4. Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment	
5. Land and support assets - Buildings	
6. Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment	
7. Land and support assets - General purpose computers	
8. Central Office Switching - Digital	
9. Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical	
10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems	
11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems	
12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment	
13. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus	
14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring	
15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges	
16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment	
17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment	
18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles	
19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal	-----
20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber	
21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal	
22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber	
23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal	
24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber	
25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems	
26. Cable and wire facilities - Other	

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		INSTRUCTIONS – See help in the online application.	
PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS			
1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)			
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
2. Net Income			
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities			
3. Add: Depreciation			
4. Add: Amortization			
5. Other (Explain)			
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities			
6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable			
7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory			
8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges			
9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets			
10. Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable			
11. Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments			
12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities			
13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations			
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable			
15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable			
16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits			
17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)			
18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits			
19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital			
20. Less: Payment of Dividends			
21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired			
22. Other (Explain) Reconciling Adjustments			
23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities			
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)			
25. Other Long-Term Investments			
26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences			
27. Other (Explain)			
28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities			
29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash			
30. Ending Cash			

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